

HOOD RIVER MEN BUY WAGNER VALLEY LAND

Men From Northern Fruit Section Invest in Property Near Ashland—Make Good Buys.

ASHLAND, Or., Feb. 25.—S. P. Rolph has closed a deal for the purchase of 30 acres of orchard and orchard land in Wagner valley, a mile from Talent and five miles west of Ashland from E. E. Foss for a consideration of \$9000, and considers he has secured one of the best bargains in the valley. Twenty acres of the tract are set to young apple trees, with peaches as fillers. There are no other improvements upon the property. Mr. Rolph proposes to set the ten acres not yet planted to pears. Mr. Foss has made a neat fortune in the orchard business in Wagner valley in the past few years, a previous sale a year or more ago of his old place in the same vicinity netting him a sum running well into four figures. He could probably have secured a considerably larger price for the tract sold to Rolph by holding another year, but is content to divide a handsome profit with the next owner.

George Dewey has sold his 40-acre tract in the same vicinity as the Foss place but a little farther up the Wagner valley, to A. Niehans, for \$18,000. Eleven acres of the 40 are set to fruit and the whole tract offers one of the numerous attractive fruit growing propositions of this rich little valley west of Ashland.

William Kerr is negotiating for a \$9000 tract in the same vicinity, through E. P. Hughes, who negotiated the two sales above mentioned.

All of the parties named above as purchasers and prospective purchasers are former Hood River valley apple-growers. Mr. Rolph came to this valley a year ago from Hood River and purchased the Meliza fruit farm just south of Ashland. His experience here has made him enthusiastic over the fruitgrowing industry of this valley. Last week when Messrs. Niehans and Kerr, Hood River acquaintances, dropped in here, he joined them in a visit to the Wagner valley section, and they soon contracted the Rogue River river fruit growing fever, too. Mr. Rolph will continue to make his home in Ashland while developing his new purchase.

FIRM OF GLEASON AND RICKARD TO GET TOGETHER

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 25.—While Jack Gleason and Tex Rickard were planning to meet this afternoon to discuss matters relating to the Jeffries-Johnson fight, the fans had plenty to do in discussing rumors of war and subsequent reconciliation between the promoters. Gleason heretofore has been holding out for San Francisco as the scene of the great heavyweight battle. When Tex Rickard, after a conference with Supervisor Hergert of the police commission, announced that San Francisco would get the mill, Gleason immediately became dubious.

Jack desired it understood that he had a say in the matter and that the firm of Rickard and Gleason might yet see fit to go to some arena in the vicinity of San Francisco that is already in existence rather than spend several thousand precious dollars in building an arena here. Gleason expressed confidence, however, that he and Rickard could reach an agreement and that probably there would be no further trouble when plans were to be considered.

Good Fruit Crusade Starts.

CORONA, Cal., Feb. 25.—Local orchardists are planning to organize in the near future for the purpose of checking the shipments of unripe and damaged fruits to the outside markets. An effort will be made to have all growers in the citrus belt of the state join in the movement.

The good fruit crusade was started on account of the fact that the growers of wholesome fruit discovered that the market in the east was being damaged by shipments of "trashy" fruits which must be sold at auction. It is expected that the California Fruit association will take official action regarding the matter.

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CENTRAL POINT TAG DAY GREAT SUCCESS

Over \$100 Netted Club for Their Efforts—To Beautify the Town.

CENTRAL POINT, Or., Feb. 25.—Members of the Ladies' Improvement club are elated over the great success of the "tag day" and supper which were given under their auspices.

A number of charming young ladies of the high school were enlisted for the day to sell tags, and right well did they do their work. Every man in town was forced to pay tribute to the era of civic improvements—for which the improvement club stands—and to the credit of the town be it said every man jack of them was a willing victim and readily capitulated to the blandishments of the pretty salesgirls. It is hinted that Mayor Leever was the most susceptible man in town to the winning smiles of the tag-venders, but he is noncommittal as to the exact number of tags he purchased, while Glenn Owen, who was right up in the mayor's class, was proud of his exhibit and didn't care who knew how many he invested in—but then Glenn is not married—yet.

In the evening the club ladies served a most tempting and satisfying supper in the town hall from 5 to 9 o'clock, the menu consisting of Boston baked beans, sandwiches, pickles, salad, coffee, cake and fruit. A fine cake presented to the club by the Central Point Bakery was sold at auction after supper, netting the club \$6.50.

All told, the receipts of the day and evening netted the club more than \$100. This money will be expended in beautifying the town in various ways, one plan now being considered is to improve a portion of the school grounds, on a plan to be mapped out by some competent landscape gardener.

The ladies of the club are all much pleased with the success of the day because of the interest shown and patronage given by everybody. It shows that the sentiment of the town is strongly behind the club in its campaign of civic improvement.

FRISCO FANS WOULD KNOW SITE OF BIG BATTLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 25.—Fight fans here are anxiously awaiting authoritative announcement from either Jack Gleason or Tex Rickard designating the location of the arena in which Johnson and Jeffries will settle their differences.

Gleason declared that the mill would assuredly be staged in California, but refused to commit himself as to the exact site. "We are waiting," he said. "We are getting all kinds of propositions and intend to give them all a chance to come in before we make a final decision. Our business must be handled as any other business. We want the most advantageous terms. It certainly is not settled that the fight shall be held under the auspices of the Broadway or any other club. I still have my Oceanview permit. Of course I favor San Francisco, if we can secure a permit here for a 45-round contest."

MARTIN PLEADS GUILTY TO INVENTING "SHOW ME"

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Col. John I. Martin took issue with former Gov. Joseph W. Folk of Missouri last night and defended the slogan, "Show me," as indicative of the spirit of his native state. He even went further and modestly confessed that he invented the phrase.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Missouri society here, Col. Martin said: "I was in New York many years ago with friends, many of them Democrat politicians, and we got to telling stories of his native state. I scoffed at their yarns and said 'I'm from Missouri. You've got to show me.' The expression was taken up and has become famous."

BELIEVE INSURGENTS HAVE WON OVER GOVERNMENT

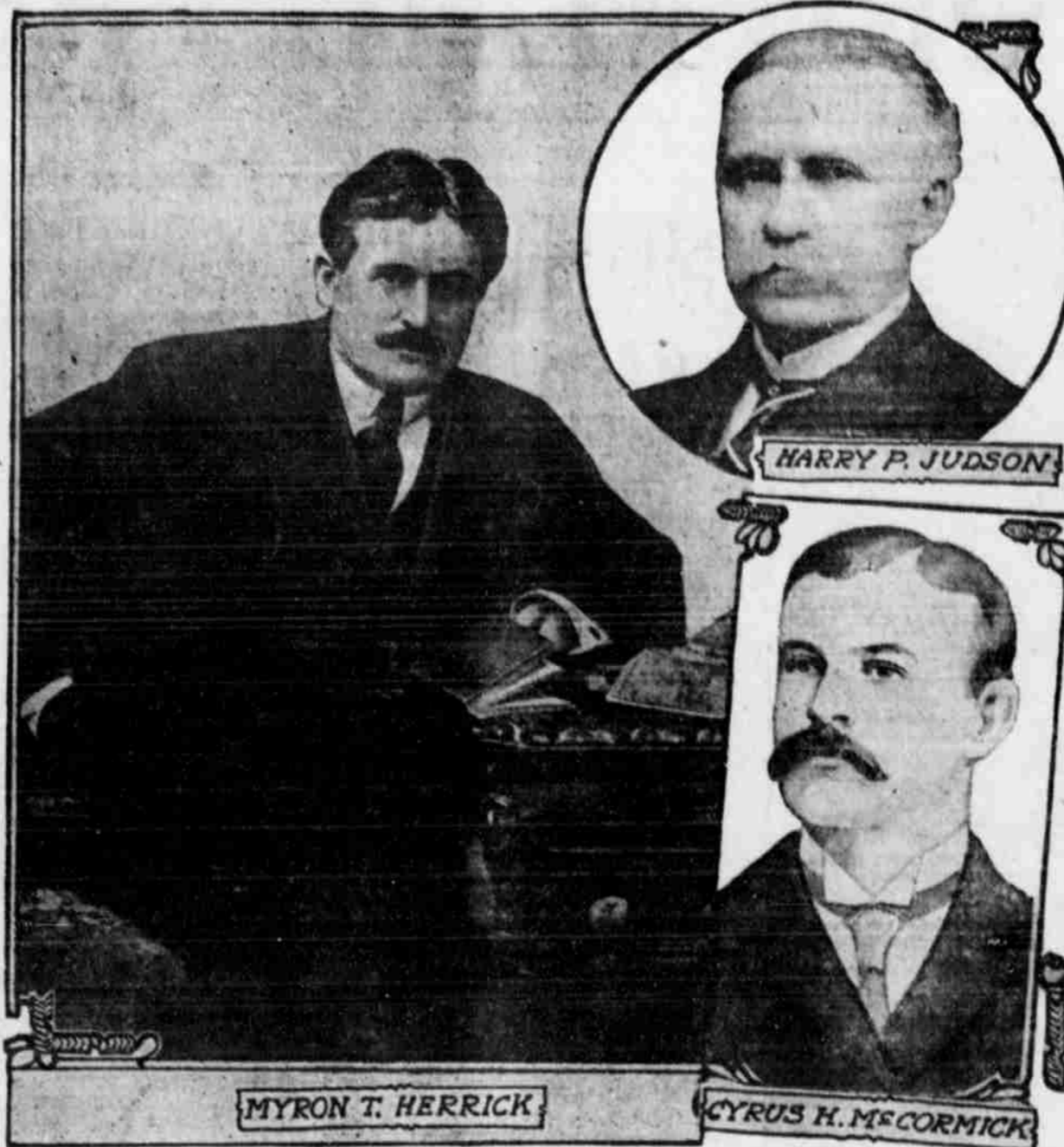
BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua, Feb. 25.—Although conflicting advices of success and failure by contending armies in the vicinity of Nicaragua have been received here, it is believed that an insurgent victory over the forces of President Madriz has completed the overthrow of the administration.

All that remains now to insure the establishment of the provisional government is a formal occupation of Managua.

According to dispatches received here according to General Estrada, the occupation of the capital will take place tomorrow.

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THREE OF THE MEN IN CHARGE OF WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ON STATE UNITY.



In connection with the meeting of the "house of governors" in Washington the conference of the National Civic Federation to organize a movement to bring about greater uniformity of ideas and greater unity of sentiment among the states has attracted the attention of publicists throughout the Union. The federation's committee in charge of the conference, said it: "I think this is one of the most important and far-reaching movements the federation has ever undertaken. If in the end it serves its purposes and aids in welding into a more compact, efficient and united whole the states which make the Union the object of the federation will have been gained." President Taft expressed entire approval of the meeting of the conference and delivered the opening address. Among the members of the committee in charge of the meeting Dr. Harry Pratt Judson, president of the University of Chicago; Cyrus H. McCormick, the well known Chicagoer and son of the famous inventor, and Myron T. Herrick, former governor of Ohio, were conspicuous.

BILL TO EXTRADITE CORPORATIONS PASSED

Newspaper Publishers Protected by Root's Amendment from Trial in Strange Jurisdiction.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Apparently believing that no action for libel can be brought in a Federal court the senate this afternoon passed the Cummins bill for the extradition of corporations on the same basis as individuals.

An amendment offered by Senator Root was adopted. It is intended to protect the publishers of newspapers against even the possibility of being dragged from their homes to strange jurisdictions. It requires that the judge of the district in which the defendant concern is situated must indorse the notice before service of such district were added as insistence of Mr. Root. The clause as changed now reads:

"Such notices shall be directed to the marshal of any district of the United States in which the service may be made, and, when indorsed by the judge of such district, be served upon such offender agreeable by the methods prescribed by the law for the service of civil process upon artificial persons in the district in which service is made, and not more than twenty days before the time of such hearing."

The bill is chiefly intended to reach corporations committing crimes against the postal law. The bill provides that the penalty of fine shall be assessed against a corporation in the absence of appearance, but the punishment does not go beyond that point.

FIRST SHIP OF THE NEW AUSTRALIAN NAVY LAUNCHED

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The first unit of the Australian Navy was launched today at Govan, Scotland. In christening the ship Premier Asquith's wife said:

"First born of the Commonwealth of Australia's Navy, I name you 'Parrahatta,' God bless you! May you uphold the glorious tradition of the British Navy in the dominions over-seas."

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FEARS KAISER MIGHT OCCUPY NETHERLAND

THE HAGUE, Feb. 25.—The report that Emperor once threatened to occupy Holland unless the country was placed in a state of defense against possible descent by the English was given more definite form in the First Chamber of the states-general yesterday during a discussion of the foreign ministry's estimates for the year.

Baron Vana Heckeren demanded that steps be taken to secure a guarantee of the integrity of the Netherlands in case trouble should arise between Germany and Great Britain and gave as a reason that "a neighboring sovereign intimated a few years ago that he would be obliged to have Dutch territory occupied if Holland did not place herself in an adequate state of defense against Great Britain."

Foreign Minister Van Swinderen declared that he was not in a position to refute Heckeren's assertion unless the latter explained precisely what was meant by the words "neighboring sovereign" and "intimated." He urged Heckeren in the interests of the country to be more explicit.

The latter had no more to say and the matter was dropped.

WALLA WALLA MAN MAKES BIG MONEY ON LAND

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 25.—Realizing a profit of 200 per cent on his investment, John Hoffman, a wealthy rancher of this city, has just sold a ranch in the Horse Heaven country for \$77,700, which sets a new high-price record for virtually unimproved land. The ranch comprises 3240 acres and was purchased by the Yakima Valley Investment company, the price per acre being \$24. Hoffman purchased the land years ago without even seeing it, paying \$8 per acre. The purchasers will cut the ranch into small tracts.

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MINNESOTA MAN BUYS NEAR TABLE ROCK

After Looking the Country Over Very Carefully, Selects 80 Acres Near Washburn Orchards.

J. H. Lydiard, lately of Minnesota, has purchased 80 acres of land in the Table Rock section from D. D. Sage, the consideration being \$20,000.

This land is partially in fruit and adjoins the well known Washburn orchards on the west. The land lying west from the Bybee bridge to Table Rock is some of the richest bottom land in the valley and has long been noted for the quality and quantity of its crops.

The sale was made through the agency of W. E. Whiteside of Central Point, who also reports the sale of the E. G. Whiteside brick in that town to A. C. Walker for \$4000.

HITCHCOCK AGAIN TURNED DOWN, SO IT IS REPORTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Insurgent members of the House were elated today over a report that President Taft had overruled Postmaster-General Hitchcock again in the matter of an appointment of a postmaster recommended by the insurgent congressmen.

The story is that after a spirited controversy lasting some weeks the President assent to the Senate today the nomination of George C. Truse as postmaster of Oskaloosa, Ia. Truse had been recommended by Representative Kendall of that district but disapproved by the Postmaster-General. It is reported that Mr. Kendall protested to the White House that Mr. Hitchcock was discriminating against him and that the President told Mr. Hitchcock that he would appoint Truse.

DEMAND \$1,000,000 FOR HER \$500 "GRUBSTAKE"

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Catherine H. Elliot, the first and divorced wife of the late Henry C. Elliot, today began a contest of his will, filed yesterday. Elliot was killed in an avalanche in Alaska last December. He went there in search of gold in 1297. He left his estate, worth \$2,000,000, to his second wife, Grace Van Womser Elliot, and their sons and other relatives, and to "H. C. Elliot Home for Destitute Children," here.

After making his lucky strike, Elliot returned home in 1902 and divorced his first wife. In contesting his will she claims that she "grubstaked" him with \$500 to enter the Alaskan gold hunt, and that she holds his written agreement to divide equally with her, the proceeds of his venture.

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TAX ROLLS EARLIER IN SHERIFFS HANDS

Time Limit Is the Same as Before—Assessor and County Court Worked Faster.

Owing to the fact that the tax rolls were opened earlier this year than usual many people think that the time limit will be shorter. If you pay your taxes on or before March 15 you will be entitled to a 3 per cent rebate. If you pay them between March 15 and the first Monday in April you will not receive any rebate, neither will there be added penalty or interest. You can pay half your taxes on or before the first Monday in April and have to the first Monday in October to pay the other half. When the taxes become delinquent there is a 10 per cent penalty and 12 per cent interest attached.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY.

Whereas, God, in his infinite wisdom, has seen fit to take from our midst our beloved brother, Samuel Bradbury, and

Whereas, in his death the Fraternal Brotherhood has lost a faithful and consistent member, and his family a kind and loving father, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Banner lodge, No. 125, Medford, Oregon, bowing in submission to the will of him who doeth all things well, extend to the bereaved ones our most heartfelt sympathy in their affliction. Also be it

Resolved, That the charter of this lodge be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days and a copy of these resolutions be placed on the records of this lodge.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at the meeting thereof on March 2, 1910, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon, for the period of six months, at his place of business at No. 31 Front street South, in said city.

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Dated February 17, 1910.